

# Positrons - $e^+p$ Physics with the LHeC

Ring: same  $e^+p$  intensities, Linac: inferior positron intensity [cf talk of H.Braun]  
(Why) does the LHeC physics programme require positrons – which intensity?

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# LHeC Physics -1

1. Grand unification?  $\alpha_s$  to per mille accuracy: jets vs inclusive  
ultraprecision DIS programme: N<sup>k</sup>LO, charm, beauty, ep/eD,..
2. A new phase of hadronic matter: high densities, small  $\alpha_s$   
**saturation of the gluon density?** BFKL-Planck scale  
superhigh-energy neutrino physics (p-N)
3. Partons in nuclei (4 orders of magnitude extension)  
saturation in eA ( $A^{1/3}$ ?), nuclear parton distributions  
black body limit of  $F_2$ , colour transparency, ...
4. Novel QCD phenomena  
instantons, odderons, hidden colour, **sea=antiquarks (strange)**
5. **Complementarity to new physics at the LHC**  
LQ spectroscopy, eeqq CI, Higgs,  $e^*$
6. **Complete unfolding of partonic content of the proton,**  
direct and in QCD

# LHeC Physics - 2

1. Neutron structure free of Fermi motion
2. Diffraction – Shadowing (Glauber). Antishadowing
3. Vector Mesons to probe strong interactions
4. Diffractive scattering “in extreme domains” (Brodsky)
- 5. Single top and anti-top ‘factory’ (CC)**
6. Gluon density over 6 orders of magnitude in x
- 7. GPDs via DVCS**
8. Unintegrated parton distributions
9. Partonic structure of the photon
- 10. Electroweak Couplings to per cent accuracy**
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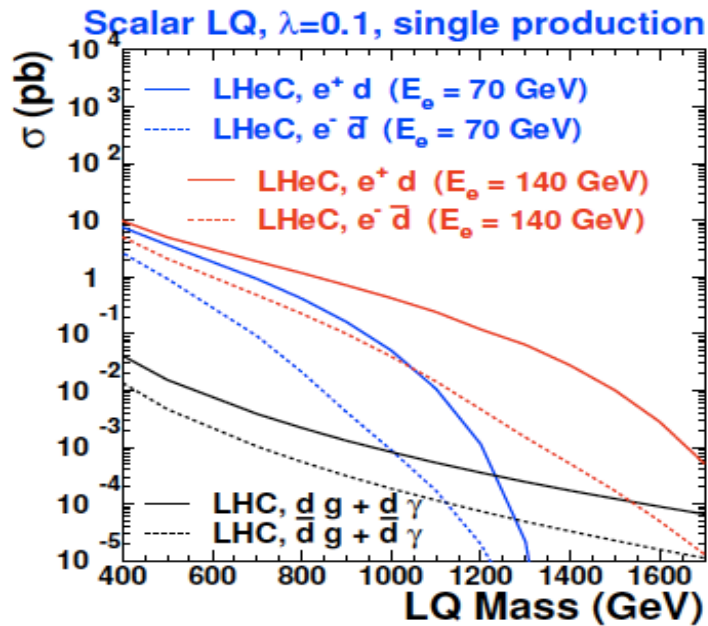
**Every major step in energy can lead to new unexpected results, ep: SLAC, HERA**

Requires: High energy,  $e^\pm$ , p, d, A, high luminosity,  $4\pi$  acceptance, high precision (e/h)



TeV scale physics, electroweak, top, Higgs, low x unitarity

# Leptoquark Sensitivity



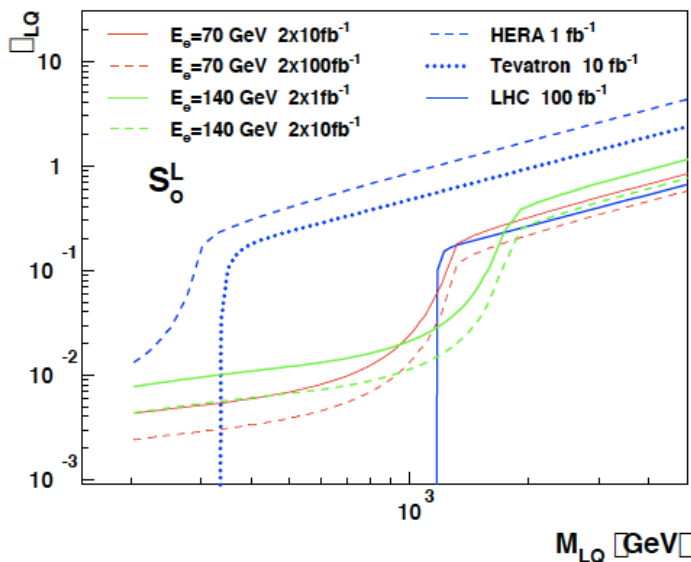
E6 new fields  
 TC bound states of technifermions  
 PS 4<sup>th</sup> colour of quarks  
 l,q composite models

The cross section in ep is (depending on couplings)  
 100 times higher than in pp, single production,  
 but LHC is there, has pair production  
 and higher energy

LHeC has mass reach up to about the  
 cms energy ( $M < \sqrt{s} = 1.3 \dots 2$  TeV  
 for 60 .. 140 GeV electron beam energy)

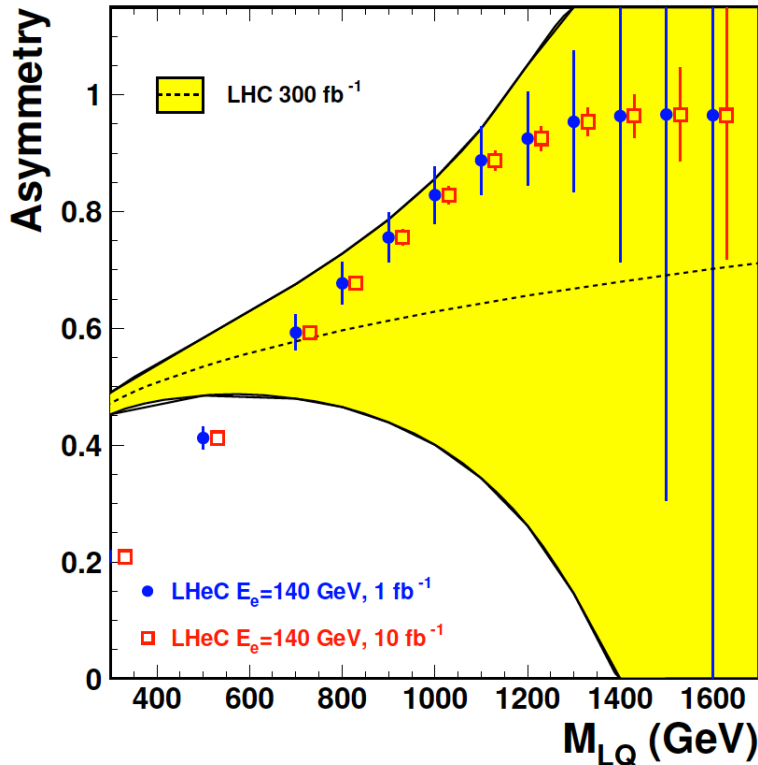
→ IF LQs are discovered at the LHC the  
 electron beam energy would possibly  
 be adjusted

→ The role of ep would be primarily to  
 determine the LQ quantum numbers



# Leptoquark Quantum Numbers

$$A = \frac{\sigma_{e^-} - \sigma_{e^+}}{\sigma_{e^-} + \sigma_{e^+}} \begin{cases} > 0 \text{ for } F=2 \\ < 0 \text{ for } F=0 \end{cases}$$



from CDR:

**Fermion number ( $F$ )** Since the parton densities for  $u$  and  $d$  at high  $x$  are much larger than those for  $\bar{u}$  and  $\bar{d}$ , the production cross section at LHeC of an  $F = 0$  ( $F = 2$ ) LQ is much larger in  $e^+p$  ( $e^-p$ ) than in  $e^-p$  ( $e^+p$ ) collisions. A measurement of the asymmetry between the  $e^+p$  and  $e^-p$  LQ cross sections thus determines the fermion number of the produced leptoquark.

Model	Fermion number $F$	Charge $Q$	$BR(LQ \rightarrow e^\pm q)$ $\beta$	Coupling	Squark type
$S_o^L$	2	-1/3	1/2	$e_L u$	$\nu d$ $\bar{d}_R$
$S_o^R$	2	-1/3	1	$e_R u$	
$\tilde{S}_o$	2	-4/3	1	$e_R d$	
$S_{1/2}^L$	0	-5/3 -2/3	1 0	$e_L \bar{u}$	$\nu \bar{u}$
$S_{1/2}^R$	0	-5/3 -2/3	1 1	$e_R \bar{u}$ $e_R \bar{d}$	
$\tilde{S}_{1/2}$	0	-2/3 +1/3	1 0	$e_L \bar{d}$	$\bar{\bar{u}}_L$ $\bar{\bar{d}}_L$
$S_1$	2	-4/3 -1/3 +2/3	1 1/2 0	$e_L d$ $e_L u$	$\nu d$ $\nu u$
$V_o^L$	0	-2/3	1/2	$e_L \bar{d}$	$\nu \bar{u}$
$V_o^R$	0	-2/3	1	$e_R \bar{d}$	
$\tilde{V}_o$	0	-5/3	1	$e_R \bar{u}$	
$V_{1/2}^L$	2	-4/3 -1/3	1 0	$e_L d$	$\nu d$
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$\tilde{V}_{1/2}$	2	-1/3 +2/3	1 0	$e_L u$	$\nu u$
$V_1$	0	-5/3 -2/3 +1/3	1 1/2 0	$e_L \bar{u}$ $e_L \bar{d}$	$\nu \bar{u}$ $\nu \bar{d}$

# Contact Interactions

CI:

New interaction interfering

with the SM at some coupling:

charge asymmetry to disentangle

the nature of the new interaction.

Range linked to statistics.

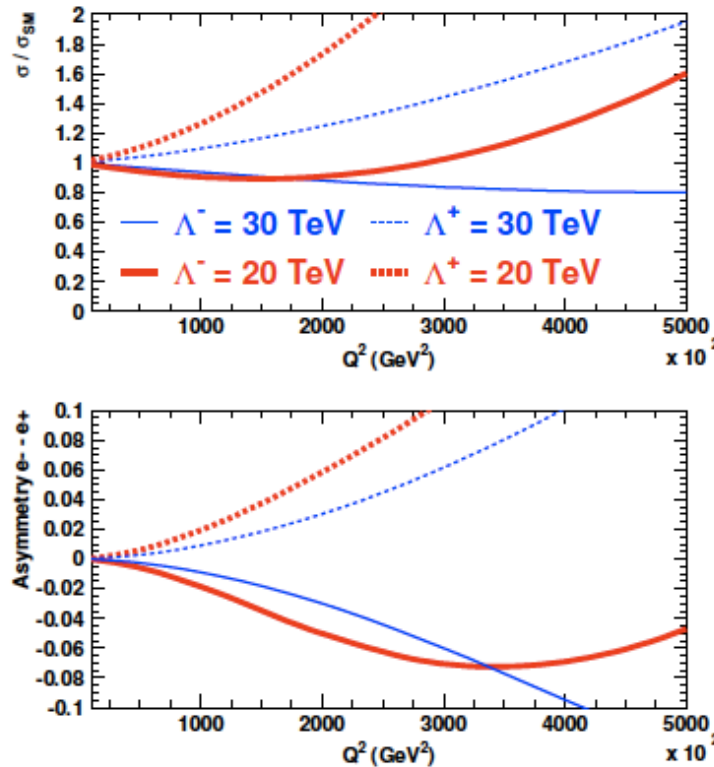
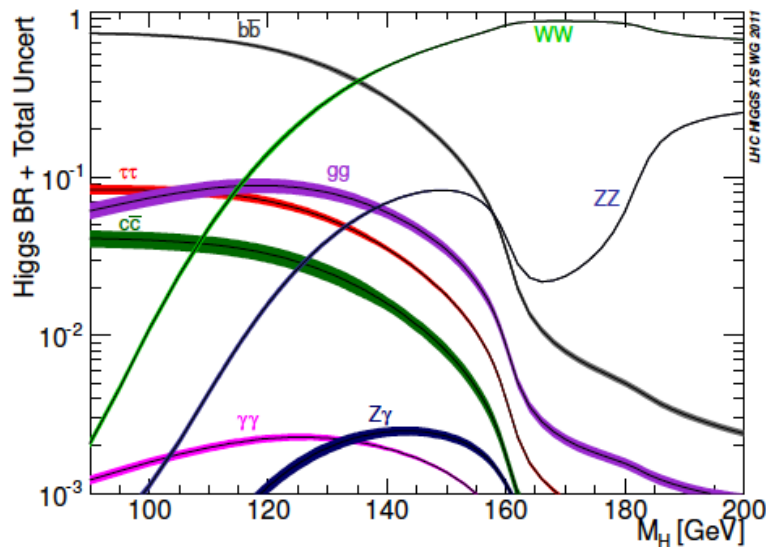
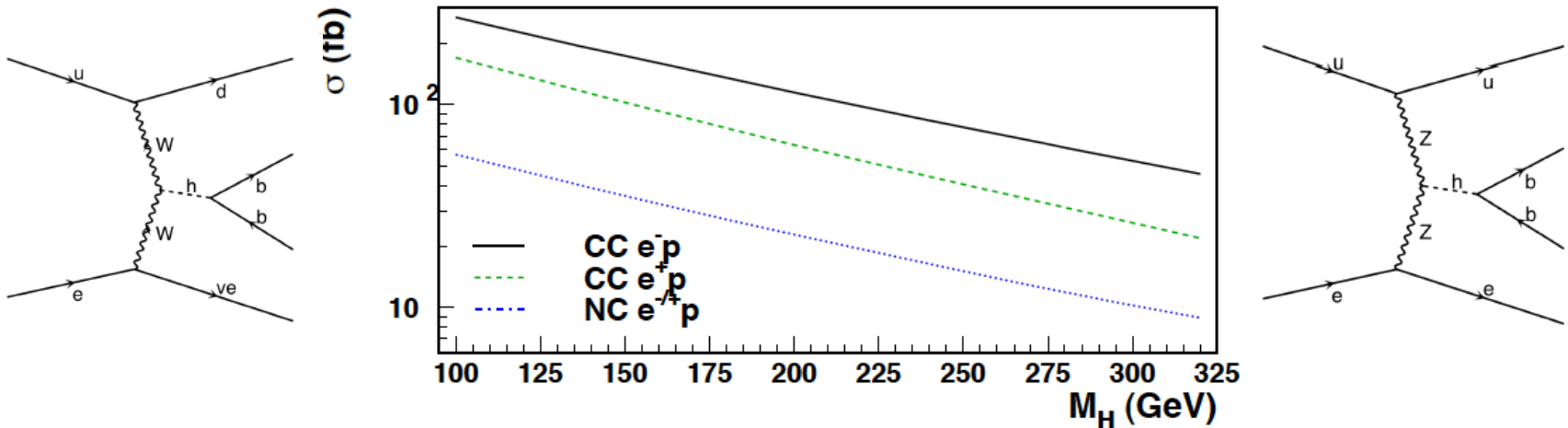


Figure 6.4: (top) Example deviations of the  $e^-p$  DIS cross-section at LHeC, in the presence of an  $eeqq$  CI. The ratio of the “measured” to the SM cross-sections,  $r = \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$ , is shown. (bottom) Asymmetry  $\frac{r(e^+) - r(e^-)}{r(e^+) + r(e^-)}$  between  $e^+p$  and  $e^-p$  measurements of  $\sigma/\sigma_{SM}$ .

# Higgs Physics



CDR:  $H \rightarrow bb$  analysis: 400 events for  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at 60 GeV  $e^-p$  polarised

More channels can be studied ( $WW$ ,  $\tau\tau$ ).

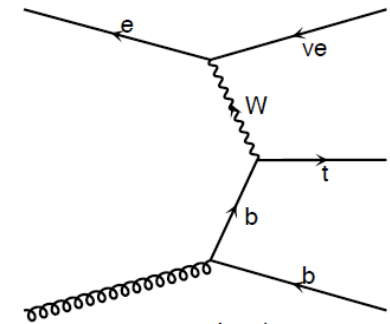
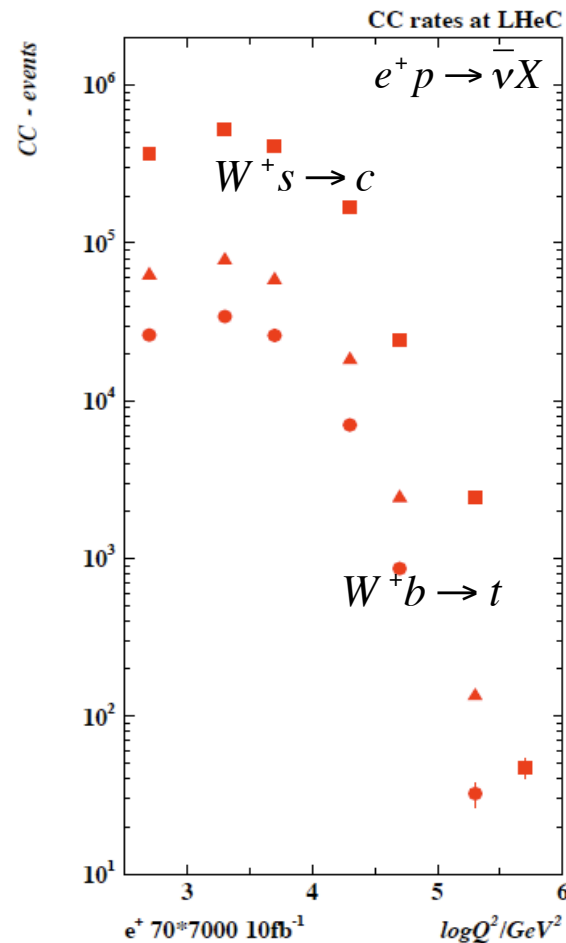
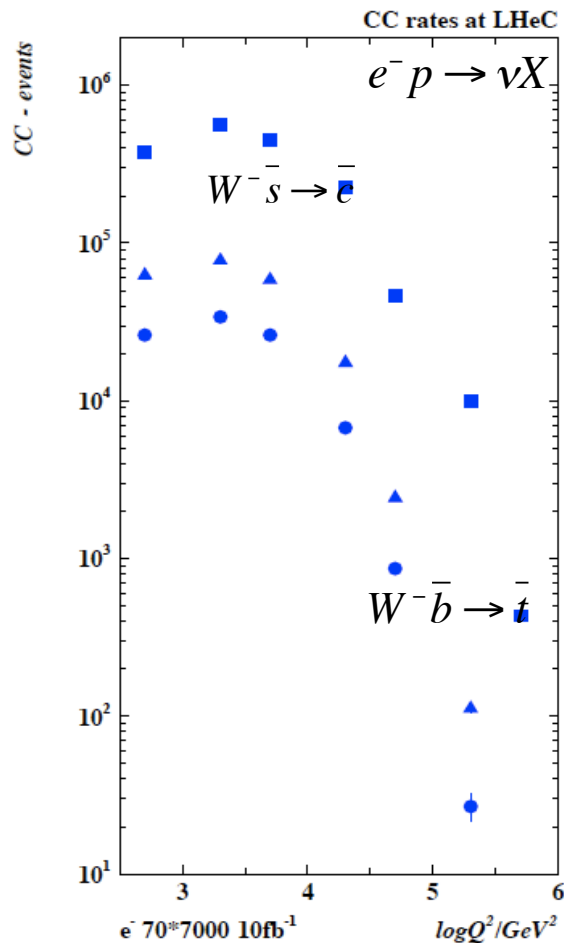
CC production in  $e^-$  larger than  $e^+$

Want highest electron rate: Strong desire from Higgs boson (if it exists) for  $L \approx 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and long operation

No evident demand for  $e^+$  from Higgs. ??

# Top and Top Production in Charged Currents

Charged currents are flavour sensitive: beam charge selects up and down and (anti)-quarks



**LHeC is a single top and anti-top quark factory**

with a CC cross section of  $O(10)\text{pb}$

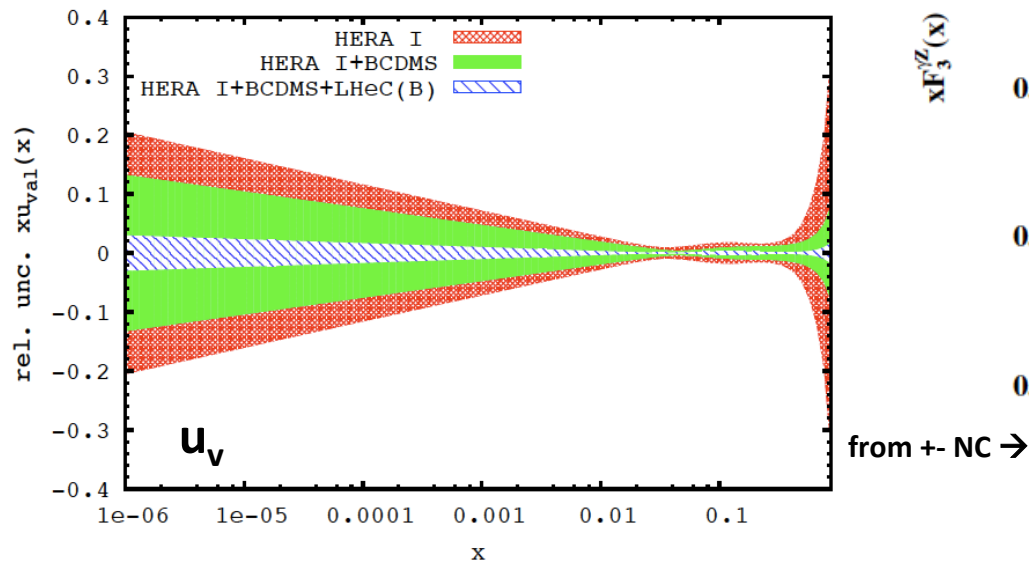
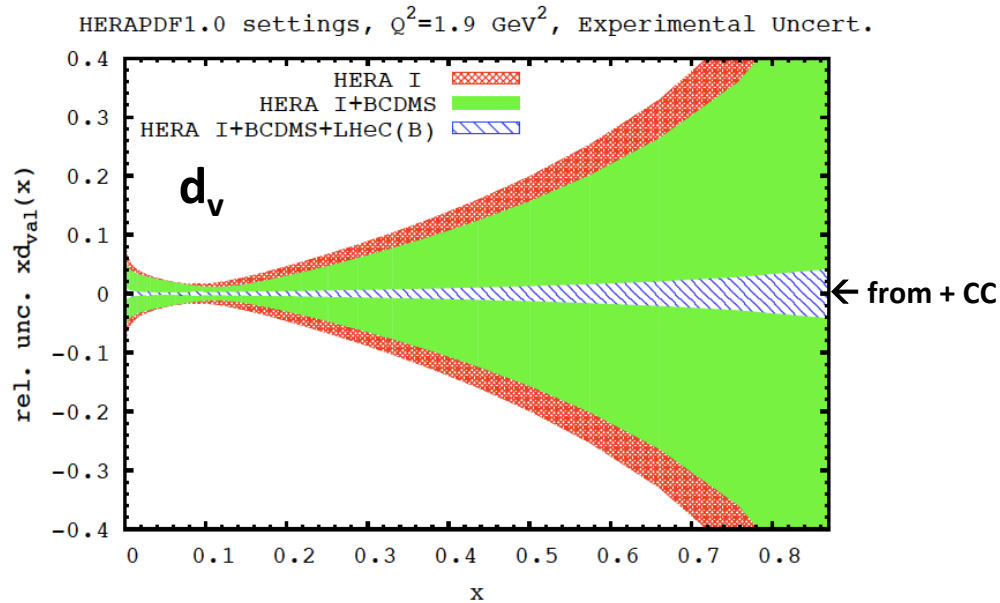
Study  $Q^2$  evolution of top quark onset – 6 quark CFNS

Can do top less differential.

Not measured before. Similar: strange and anti-strange quark densities



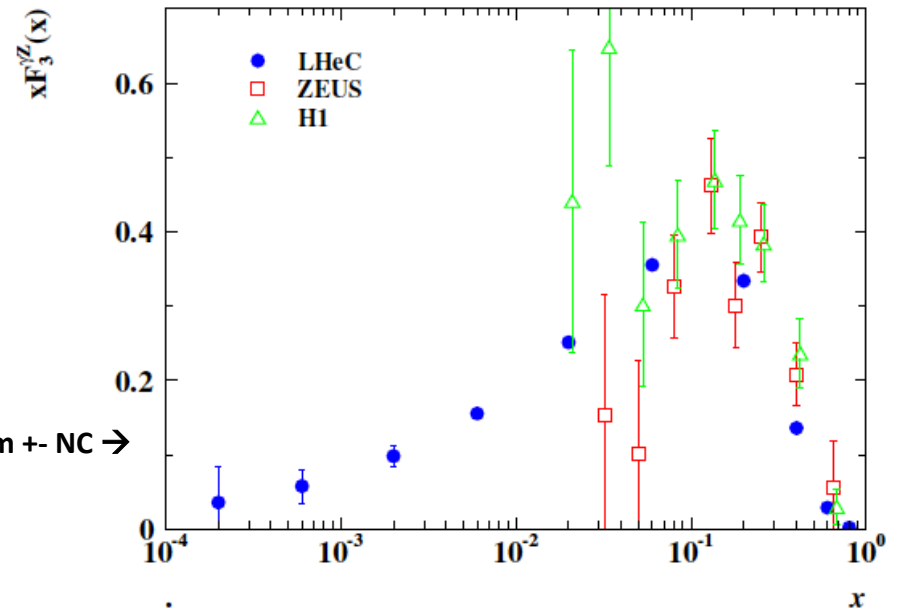
# Weak Currents - Valence Quarks ( $d_v$ , low $x$ )



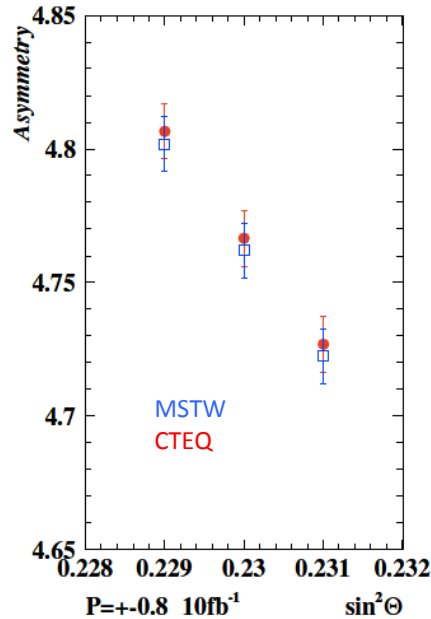
The valence quarks are still not well known, because of nuclear and non-pert. corrections.

Uncertain are particularly the d-valence and the low  $x$  region, which are important for LHC discovery and precision physics ( $M_W$ )

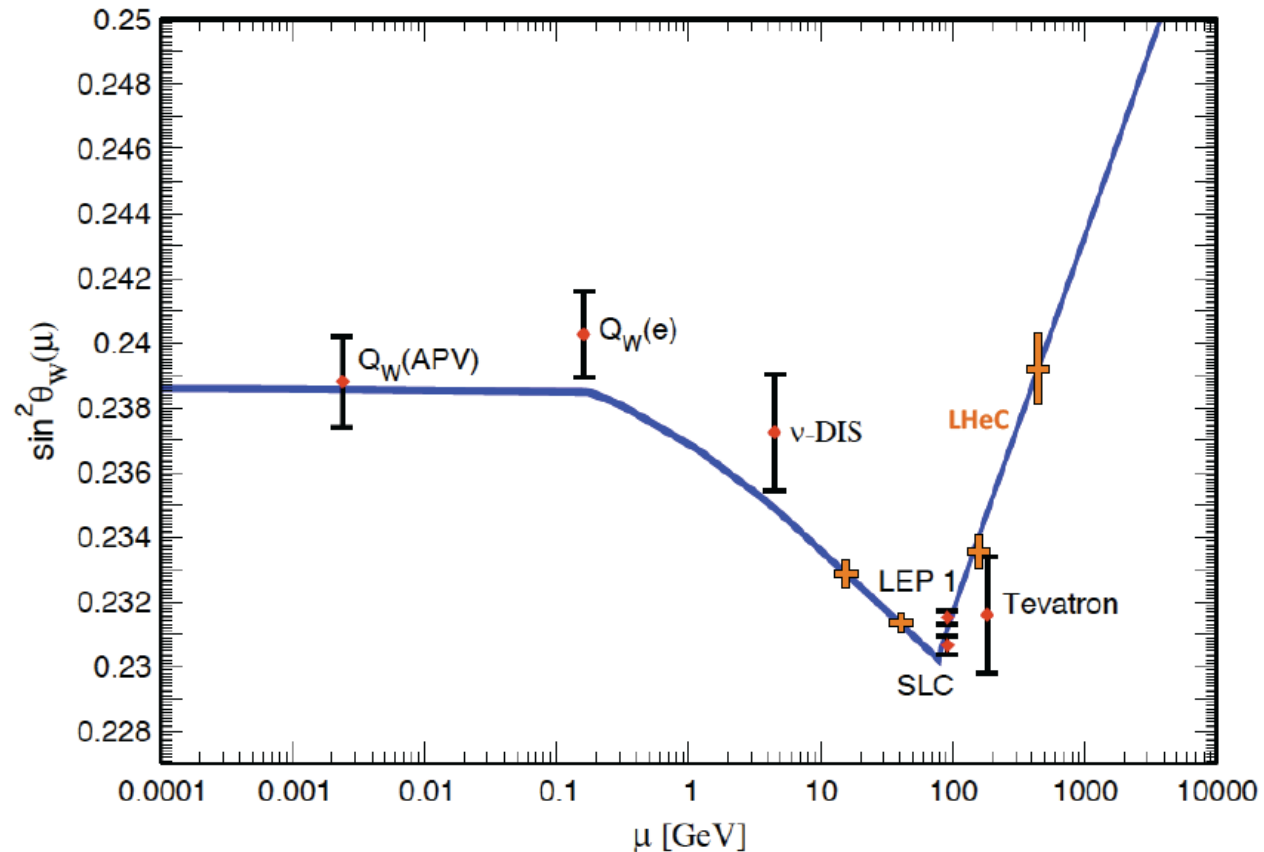
The LHeC needs positrons for both  $d_v$  at high  $x$  (from CC scattering at high luminosity,  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$ ) and for a measurement of  $2u_v+d_v$  at low  $x$  (from the NC charge asymmetry with few  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )



# Weak Neutral Currents – Polarisation Asymmetry



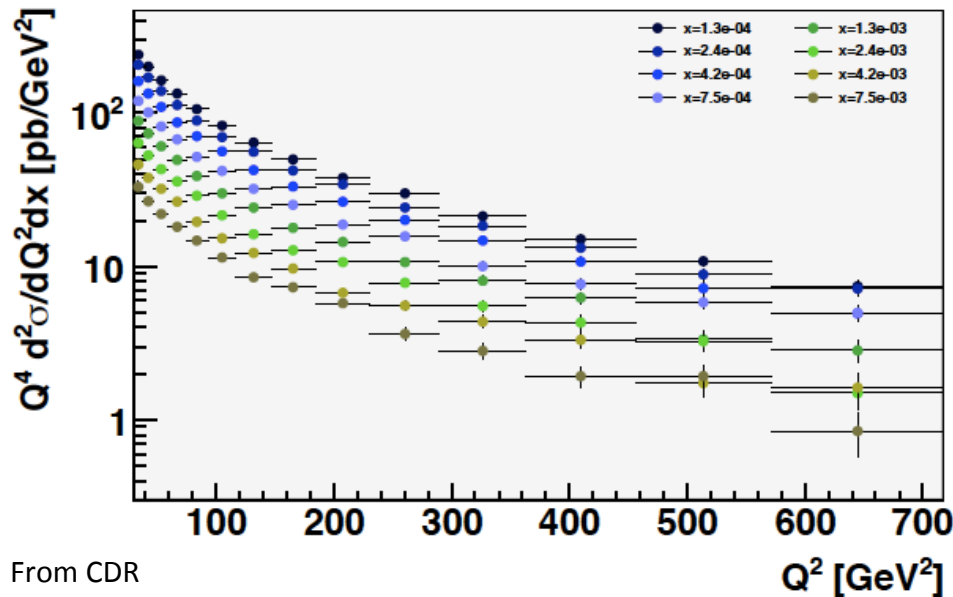
$$A^{\pm} = \frac{\sigma_{NC}^{\pm}(P_R) - \sigma_{NC}^{\pm}(P_L)}{\sigma_{NC}^{\pm}(P_R) + \sigma_{NC}^{\pm}(P_L)}$$



$$A^{\pm} \simeq \mp \kappa_Z a_e \frac{F_2^{\gamma Z}}{(F_2 + \kappa_Z a_e Y_- x F_3^{\gamma Z} / Y_+)} \simeq \mp \kappa_Z a_e \frac{F_2^{\gamma Z}}{F_2}.$$

Can measure running of the weak mixing angle to high precision with polarised  $e^-$ .  
An example for electroweak physics w/o  $e^+$ .

# Generalised Parton Distributions



From CDR

Figure 7.27: Simulated LHeC measurement of the DVCS cross section multiplied by  $Q^4$  for different  $x$  values for a luminosity of  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , with  $E_e = 50 \text{ GeV}$ , electron and photon acceptance extending to within  $10^\circ$  of the beampipe with a cut at  $P_T' = 5 \text{ GeV}$ . Only statistical uncertainties are considered.

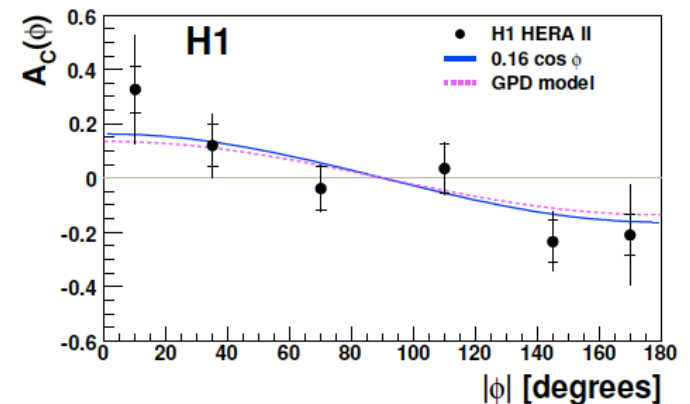
Gluon and singlet quark  
transverse imaging through  
DVCS measurements  
 $ep \rightarrow e\gamma$

- Proton holography
- Parton amplitudes
- Spin puzzle

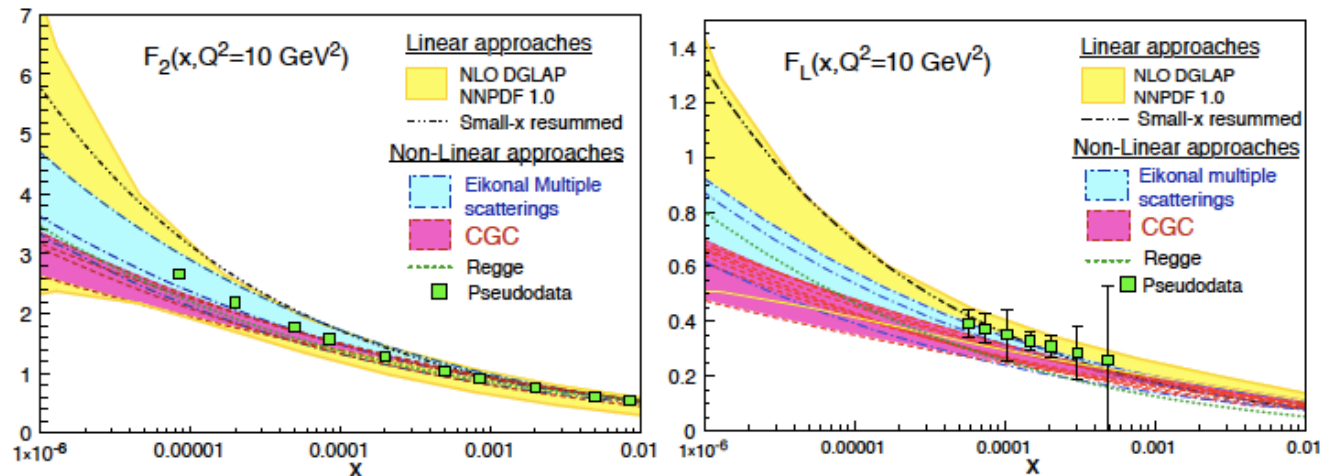
Precision requires  $\pm$  with  
high statistics  $O(10\text{fb}^{-1})$

$$A_C(\phi) = p_1 \cos \phi = 2A_{BH} \frac{\text{Re}A_{DVCS}}{|A_{DVCS}|^2 + |A_{BH}|^2} \cos \phi.$$

H1 DESY 09-109  $L=306 \text{ pb}^{-1} e^+p$   $Q^2 > 6.5 \text{ GeV}^2$



# Saturation of the gluon density - $F_L$



Simulation of  $F_L$  with few  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  equivalent at different beam energies

Figure 7.12: Predictions from different models for  $F_2(x, Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2)$  (plot on the left) and  $F_L(x, Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2)$  (plot on the right) versus  $x$ , together with the corresponding pseudodata.

**High precision measurements of both  $F_2$  and  $F_L$  are required to discover the saturation of  $xg$  at low  $x$ , and establish a new theory for non-linear parton evolution (replacing the DGLAP equations)**

Precision for  $F_L$  requires to reach highest values of inelasticity  $y = 1 - E'/E$ , i.e. small  $E'$

**In order to cope with the background from hadrons (which is about charge symmetric unlike DIS) one needs to take data ( $O(100)\text{pb}^{-1}$ ) with electrons and positrons of similar luminosity.**

This measurement is also crucial in eA where the running times will be much shorter than in ep

# Considerations

1. Beyond the SM: The LHC is the search+discovery machine (and hopefully successful). The LHeC delivers high precision and selectivity by the control of the initial state. Higgs with the LHeC demands maximum electron-proton luminosity.
2. The  $\pm$  charged current reaction is sensitive to quark flavours and to particle/antiparticles, it selects top vs anti-top and strange vs anti-strange, for example. As a weak interaction it is sizeable only at high  $Q^2$  and thus requires high luminosity.
3. The weak neutral current depends on the charge and the polarisation. Important electroweak measurements can be done with polarised electrons ( $F_2^{\gamma Z}$ ), e.g.  $\sin^2\Theta$ . The full potential requires yet positrons too ( $\times F_3^{\gamma Z}$ ), e.g. light quarks.
4. At low  $Q^2$  DVCS and  $F_L$  (also in eA) require high luminosity for electrons and positrons.

→ **There is a strong demand from physics to maximize the positron luminosity too**

(with probably less emphasis to the  $e^+$  beam polarisation which is yet another complication)

→ **A setup with 100 fb<sup>-1</sup> electrons and 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> positrons is tolerable but requires  $L^+ = O(L^-/10)$**

If the positron luminosity was much lower than for electrons, one would be tempted not to “waste” running time on positrons and thus the integrated luminosity came out to be even lower, relatively to electrons